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Detroit VA Healthcare System Offers E-Donate to Support Local Veterans

Detroit – The Detroit VA Medical Center has announced the availability of E-Donate, an online donation option at <http://www.detroit.va.gov/giving/>, that will provide community members who wish to give back to Veterans at the medical center a simple and safe way to pledge their support to the fund of their choice.

“We’ve known for years that our citizens want to show their support to the service members who defended their freedoms,” said Dr. Pamela Reeves, Medical Center Director. “While not everyone will have the time to volunteer, now anyone can take five minutes online to thank Veterans in any number of ways.”

The E-Donate option allows donors to select from a number of funds at the medical center they wish to donate to. Additionally, the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) administrative costs are appropriated, so donors can be sure 100 percent of their donations go to the funds they select and the Veteran patients they are choosing to support.

“Donated money at our medical center goes to areas such as Healthcare for Homeless Veterans and OEF-OIF-OND Assistance for returning veterans,” said William Browning, Chief of Volunteer and Community Relations, Detroit VA Healthcare System. “People would be amazed if they could see how far their dollar goes toward making a difference in the lives of the people who dedicated themselves to us first.”

Donors can find the E-Donate button at www.detroit.va.gov. The actual donation is made through a secure site at the Department of Treasury's www.pay.gov. A minimum of \$5 is required for online donation.

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Since 1939, the Detroit VAMC has been improving the health of the men and women who have so proudly served our nation. In 1996, the medical center moved from Allen Park, Michigan to the current location in Detroit. The John D. Dingell VAMC located in Detroit, Michigan is one of the newest VA facilities in the country. We consider it our privilege to serve the health care needs of our Veterans. Services are available to more than 330,000 Veterans living in Wayne, Oakland, Macomb, and St. Clair counties. This population represents approximately forty-four percent of the Veteran population in the lower peninsula of Michigan. For more information, visit <http://www.detroit.va.gov>

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